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IN REPLY REFER TO:  
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Mr. David Weiman  
Agricultural Resources  
635 Maryland Avenue, NE  
Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Mr. Weiman:

In your email received by the Point Reyes National Seashore Superintendent's Office on September 21, 2010, you requested a copy of a letter of support for a university graduate student prepared by Point Reyes National Seashore for the George Wright Society. This is considered a request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The Department of the Interior tracking number for this request is NPS-2011-0015. Please include this number in future correspondence regarding this request.

We are enclosing a copy of the letter, however, certain personal information has been withheld for a graduate student who is not a National Park Service (NPS) employee. The Department of the Interior maintains that the individual identified in the records has privacy interests in withholding this information. We do not perceive, nor have you enunciated, any public interest that would be served in disclosing this data, which would outweigh the privacy interests of the subject individual. The release of the individual's name, address, telephone number, and/or electronic mail addresses would be a violation of their privacy. Therefore, we are withholding this information under exemption 6 of the FOIA (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(6)), which permits an agency to withhold "personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy."

If you consider this response a denial, you have the right to appeal this decision by writing to the Freedom of Information Act Appeals Officer, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW, MS-7456, MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. Your FOIA appeal must be received by the FOIA Appeals Officer no later than 30 workdays from the date of the final response. A copy of your original request and this letter should accompany the appeal, as well as a brief statement of the reasons why you believe this initial decision to be in error. The appeal should be marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" both on the envelope and the face of the letter.

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Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

In addition to myself, Attorney Advisor Deborah Bardwick and Acting FOIA Officer Kevin Killeen participated in this decision. If you have questions about the processing of your FOIA request, Mr. Killeen can be reached at 206-220-4051.

Sincerely,



*For* Christine S. Lehnertz  
Regional Director, Pacific West Region

Enclosure